

REMARKS

Article 19 amendments in the international application were submitted to the International Bureau of WIPO on 19 April 2006. In those amendments, originally presented claims 1-16 were canceled and replaced with newly presented claims 1-20. Accordingly, in the Listing of Claims above, a total of 20 claims are referenced, and claims 1-3 and 9-10 are labeled as "previously presented" so as to comply with current USPTO practice.

This amendment is submitted for the purpose of initial fee calculations. Its entry is respectfully requested.

The accompanying Transmittal to the United States DO/EO bases the initial number of claims on the Listing set forth above. Additionally, the three pages of this Preliminary Amendment are included in the calculation of initially submitted paper sheets.

Questions concerning this submission should be directed to the undersigned. However, the correspondence address is as set forth on the aforementioned Transmittal and in the accompanying Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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